BEFORE THE FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

In the Matter of)

Philip Morris Companies, Inc;) MUR 4766
Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.;)

Lorillard Tobacco Company;)

R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company;)

United States Tobacco;)

U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell;)

National Republican Senatorial)

Committee;)

J. Stanley Huckaby, as treasurer.)

CERTIFICATION

- I, Mary W. Dove, Acting Secretary of the Federal Election Commission, do hereby certify that on February 10, 2000 the Commission decided by a vote of 5-0 to take the following actions in MUR 4766:
 - 1. Find no reason to believe that the Philip Morris Companies, Inc; Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation; Lorillard Tobacco Company; R.J. Reynolds Tobacco Company; or United States Tobacco violated 2 U.S.C. § 441b.
 - Find no reason to believe that U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell and the National Republican Senatorial Committee and J. Stanley Huckaby, as treasurer, violated any provision of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended, in this matter.
 - 3. Close the file in this matter.

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Federal Election Commission Certification for MUR 4766 February 10, 2000

> Approve the appropriate letters as recommended in the General Counsel's Report dated February 4, 2000.

Commissioners Elliott, Mason, McDonald, Sandstrom, and Wold voted affirmatively for the decision.

Commissioner Thomas did not vote.

Attest:

Mary W. Dove

Acting/Secretary of the

Commission

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